

## PLOTTED TO KILL DODGE

Rand Makes a Startling Charge at Beginning of Hammel Trial

## ACCUSES "THE OTHER SIDE"

Prosecution of Noted Lawyer Begins After a Hard Fight for Delay by His Counsel—To Keep Jury in Custody

New York, Dec. 14.—The startling charge that interests opposed to the prosecution of Abraham H. Hammel plotted to kill Charles F. Dodge, the most important witness against the noted lawyer, was made yesterday by Assistant District Attorney Rand in an argument before Judge Rogers in the criminal branch of the supreme court just before the judge decided that the long-delayed trial must proceed. Mr. Rand declared the case had been "held up" for a year by "the other side," and insisted that no further delay be countenanced.

The jury will be kept in custody during the trial.

Hammel has been formally put under bonds.

It was during these preliminaries that Mr. Rand took occasion to fire his first broadside into the defense when, with a considerable show of feeling, he said:

"The defendant was indicted a year ago. It is imperative that the case go on at this time. Charles F. Dodge, our most important witness, has to be watched constantly. He has to be guarded and kept in hiding in order to be kept alive. The other side has tried to kill him."

"Then it is necessary that the case be concluded before the first of the year, because one of the representatives of the district attorney's office assigned to it will resign on Jan. 1."

"It is far more important to have the case finally brought to trial than to secure a special jury panel."

Mrs. Rand and Stanchfield argued long and persistently, insisting that the case demanded a special jury and that the district attorney was not giving the defendant the rights he deserved.

"This case will be wound up in a week," said Stanchfield.

"Oh, no, it will not," replied Mr. Rand. "It will require two weeks to present all the evidence. The newspapers have not given the public any idea what this case really involves."

In denying the motion for a special jury panel Judge Rogers said:

"It is a very good thing that the time element is so important in the case. I believe that the importance of a special jury has been greatly exaggerated. I have been impressed with the candor and good judgment of the regular jury, and do not think that the interests of either side in the case will suffer in their handling."

Then, Mr. Mitchell sought a postponement until Friday on the ground that he and his associate were not prepared. Judge Rogers immediately replied:

"The defendant is represented by two of the ablest lawyers in the city. If during the progress of the trial it appears they are not prepared, I will assign counsel."

**CATCH BAD GANG.**

Getham Police Foil Burglars Who Looted a Factory.

New York, Dec. 14.—A big moving van robbery was prevented yesterday by 12 policemen, who captured an entire gang of robbers and \$5,000 worth of cash, bills and valuables packed in five bundles and waiting to be carried away. Soon after midnight the police were told that three men had been seen climbing the roof of a six-story factory building in Westchester street. So busy was the means of ascent that the police would not climb it in pursuit of the thieves, but surrounded the building, lying in wait.

About 4 a. m. the police arrested four men coming from an adjoining element, three of whom, they charge, climbed out of the factory. The other they saw was a picket. When the factory alarm rang, before daylight, he left the police into the building, where they found several bags of goods packed in five bundles near the street door.

The man under arrest was William Kelly, James Kelly and George Ryan, charged with attempted burglary, and William Fernandez, arrested as a suspicious person.

**DECK LOAD SUFFERED.**

Gloucester Schooner Lost 50 Barrels of Fish in a Storm.

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 14.—The schooner Concord, a Gloucester fishing vessel, arrived yesterday with 1,300 barrels of salt herring. The vessel was only a week on the homeward passage, but had a rough experience about 30 miles off the coast, when the storm struck Sunday morning, and put to sea to escape the fury.

During the heavy northeast gale 50 barrels of the deckload were washed overboard.

**BOWLING AVERAGES.**

Eagles, Eureka and O'Learys Are the Order in Intercity League.

The averages in the intercity bowling league up to Dec. 11 are as follows: Eagles, 150; Daley, 140; O'Learys, 130; Eureka, 120; Daley, 110; O'Learys, 100; Eagles, 90; Eureka, 80; Daley, 70; O'Learys, 60; Eagles, 50; Eureka, 40; Daley, 30; O'Learys, 20; Eagles, 10; Eureka, 0; Daley, 0; O'Learys, 0.

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Daley 8 2 .800  
O'Learys 7 3 .700  
Eagles 6 4 .600  
Eureka 5 5 .500  
Daley 4 6 .400  
O'Learys 3 7 .300  
Eagles 2 8 .200  
Eureka 1 9 .100  
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## IGNORES JEROME.

New York Bar Association to Take No Notice of Him.

New York, Dec. 14.—The New York Bar Association at its meeting Tuesday night decided that until District Attorney Jerome made specific charges against one or more of the justices of the supreme court, the association would take no notice of him. A resolution to act on the district attorney's charges was lost.

A resolution was adopted, declaring that payment of assessments by candidates for judicial office or contributions by them or on their behalf to campaign expenses, should be prohibited by law.

## LONGWORTH WON'T DENY IT.

Credits Story of Approaching Marriage of Miss Roosevelt.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Practical confirmation of the reported engagement of Miss Alice Roosevelt to Representative Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati was obtained yesterday.

When Mr. Longworth was asked for the facts, he indicated that it was not for him to discuss the story, but refused to deny it. This is accepted here as corroboration of the rumored approaching marriage.

## PLAINFIELD.

Not much change is reported in the condition of Levi Bartlett, who is quite ill with appendicitis.

Rev. A. N. Smith exchanged pulpits on last Sunday with Rev. C. O. Conner of Barre.

John Foss left on Tuesday evening for a business trip to Boston. Mr. Foss will visit his son, Carl, in Medford before returning.

Fred Perrin was in Burlington over Sunday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Stickney of Marshfield were guests of Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Sheaf over Sunday.

Mrs. Joseph Lane, who for the past few months has been very ill with heart trouble, is reported to be a very little better.

Miss E. C. Renfrew of Groton is spending a few days with Miss Jennie Erickson.

D. B. Moses was in Montpelier on Tuesday.

Mrs. Dr. Gale was a visitor in Montpelier a part of last week.

Mrs. A. B. Taylor, who is 85 years old, is reported to be quite ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Taylor is the oldest person living in this place. She makes her home with Mr. Silas Willis.

W. L. Danforth of Stratford, N. H., is in town for a few days on business.

Mrs. Blanche Townsend spent Sunday in Montpelier with friends, returning on Tuesday.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will hold a business meeting and afternoon social with Mrs. H. S. Parks, on Thursday of this week. Supper being served at 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Flood have commenced house-keeping in Fred Shorey's house on School street.

Dr. G. E. Hunt was a visitor in town on Tuesday.

C. E. Townsend of Rochester was in town on Monday.

Mrs. Ella Kidder and daughter, Blanche, were in Montpelier a part of this week.

A large crowd from this place attended the public dancing school at East Montpelier on Tuesday evening. A very enjoyable time was reported.

Mr. and Mrs. William Foster of Middlebury were in town visiting a few days of this week with Mr. and Mrs. George Bolles.

L. O. Ricker shipped a carload of stock to Boston on Monday. Mr. Ricker went to Wells River with it.

F. D. Cahill of Marshfield has bought the Clara Patterson house on School street. Consideration being \$1,700.

Joseph Martin has sold the Farley farm in the south part of the town to a Mr. Raymond of Barre.

Miss Nina Ricker was in Montpelier on Tuesday.

Dr. W. H. Merdell and W. B. Stratton were visitors in town on Sunday.

**SENDS IT TO GERMANY.**

Mrs. John Weifers of Lawrence, Mass., says Father John's Medicine is invaluable for children with coughs and colds, and she would not be without it in her family. She sends it to her cousin in Germany, and he is taking it with good results.

**Father John's Medicine**

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## REFORMS IN POSTAL LAWS

The House Committee Considers Recommendations.

## SOME IMPORTANT CHANGES

The Second-Class Rates May Be Increased—Mild Conduct Over the Postmaster in Chicago.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representative Overstreet, at the first meeting of the post office committee yesterday, laid before the committee as its chairman a general outline of postal changes and reforms that have suggested themselves to him. He asked the eighteen members of the committee to think over the suggestions until the regular department appropriation bill was prepared, when he would ask the committee to decide whether or not it wished to undertake to work the changes proposed. The policy he outlined provided in brief:

First—A single reclassification of mail matter.

Second—Possibly an increase in rates on second-class matter.

Third—Some changes in transportation which would provide that bulky second-class mail should pay an extra postage, where it was desirable to have it make the time of first-class matter.

Fourth—Restriction or the abolition of the franking privilege.

Fifth—An increase in the pay of certain classes of postal employees in case the changes proposed reduce the deficit materially.

Sixth—A reduction on letter postage at some time in the future provided the deficit disappeared under the operation of the reforms proposed.

The members of the committee appeared to think well of the suggestions made. If the program should be adopted the committee would probably not attempt to work out more than two of the reforms at this session.

Interested just now is centered in the contest over the Chicago postmaster's office. The President wants to reappoint Mr. Coyne, the present postmaster. The two senators are objecting. Yesterday Senator Bushy indicated that he would not accept. Senators are threatening to hold up rate legislation unless the President follows their recommendations.

**DEBATE PHILIPPINE TARIFF.**

Secretary Taft and Governor Wright Before House Committee.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Discussion of the Philippine tariff before the House committee on ways and means began yesterday morning with the full committee present and with Secretary Taft, Governor Luke E. Wright of the Philippines, Col. Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, and a number of representatives of American sugar interests in attendance.

F. R. Hathaway, secretary of the Sugar Manufacturers, was the chief speaker, and for more than an hour reviewed testimony given by Philippine citizens and officials at the hearings in Manila last summer.

The committee, which is composed of Mr. D. D. Colecock, secretary of the American Growers' Association, also addressed the committee.

**NEW CANAL BILL.**

Proposal to Abolish the Commission Rejected.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representative Perkins of New York yesterday reintroduced his bill to place coal and lumber on the free list. He has, however, included wood pulp in the bill.

Mr. Perkins argues that as the bulk of paper manufactured in this country is controlled by two great corporations, the time has come to remove the wood pulp tax and allow at least a slight reduction in prices.

**MONEY FOR PANAMA.**

Favorable Report to Senate on Emergency Bill.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Mr. Allison (Rep., Ia.) chairman of the committee on appropriations, reported favorably the Panama emergency appropriation bill shortly after the Senate met yesterday and requested that it be taken up for consideration today.

**GEARIN TO BE SENATOR.**

Democrat Will Succeed John H. Mitchell of Oregon.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 14.—A special to the Oregonian from Salem says: "Gov. Chamberlain yesterday appointed a United States senator to succeed the late John H. Gearin of Portland. The governor's appointee is the first Democratic senator Oregon has had since 1878."

**BLOT ON CAREER.**

Life of Use to Nation Can Wipe Out Stain, Says Bonaparte.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—In execution of that portion of the sentence of Midshipman Minor Meriwether, Jr., requiring that he be "publicly reprimanded by the secretary of the navy," Secretary Bonaparte has addressed the

following letter to Midshipman Meriwether at Annapolis:

"Sir: You have been duly convicted of violating clause 3 of art. 8 of the articles for the government of the navy by insulting and subsequently assaulting one of your fellow-midshipmen and of conduct to the prejudice of good discipline and order by engaging in a fist fight with the same midshipman. These offenses on your part have led to a calamity so clearly unforeseen by you and so distressing that no words of reproof can be needed to make you feel their gravity.

"Your disobedience to the laws of your country, your forgetfulness of the full import of your oath, your yielding to fierce and angry passions when tempted by a sense of wrong, have borne fruits so bitter that your worst punishment has already been suffered. The merciful sentence of the court which tried you leaves you a member of the honorable profession you have chosen. In that great school of self-discipline and obedience, a life useful to your country will, it is hoped, atone for your faults which have clouded the early years of your service.

"You will acknowledge the receipt of this letter, and it will be entered on your official record."

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TO SEEK RECOGNITION.

Coal Miner Delegates Firm in Demand for Eight Hours.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 14.—A large number of delegates from the Scranton, Wilkesbarre and Hazleton coal regions arrived here yesterday to caucus with the delegates from the Schuylkill region with reference to the demands which are to be furnished at the miners' convention which opened here yesterday.

President Mitchell and District President John Fahey of the 9th district held a conference yesterday concerning measures that the miners will endeavor to have adopted.

The delegates who have arrived seem to be unanimous in their demands for an eight-hour work day and the recognition of the union.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. I, Frank J. Cheney, make oath that I am a resident of the City of Toledo, Ohio, and do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is on file in the office of the City of Toledo, Ohio.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 14th day of December, A. D. 1905.

A. T. OLARSON, Notary Public.

LA FOLLETTE BEATEN.

Wisconsin House Kills His "Mary Ann" Bill.

The La Follette men made a strong effort to save the measure. Yesterday they attempted to secure a reconsideration of the action. The rejection of the bill so as to enable a voter to express his second as well as his first choice for a candidate for an office.

**TO ARREST AGITATORS.**

Minister Durnovo Has Ordered That Hundreds Be Taken Into Custody.

Paris, Dec. 13.—A despatch to the Journal from St. Petersburg dated December 13, says that Minister of the Interior Durnovo has ordered the arrest of hundreds of agitators in the agrarian districts. The despatch says that the installation of wireless telegraphy between St. Petersburg, Moscow and Wladivostok is nearing completion.

The correspondent of the Matin at St. Petersburg confirms the report of the mutiny of Cossacks at Moscow. He adds that the peasants' alliance has issued a proclamation advising those adhering to the alliance to pay taxes and to withdraw their money from the banks.

**ROBBED OF \$60,000 A DAY.**

Kansas a Standard Oil Victim, Says Governor Hoeh.

Ottawa, Kan., Dec. 14.—Governor E. W. Hoeh, speaking here Tuesday night, at a gathering of Republicans, said: "At this time the Kansas oil fields are yielding 60,000 barrels a day, an insignificant part of their capacity, and for this oil the Standard Oil company, which sets the price, is paying less than one-third what it paid a year ago. I believe it could pay \$1 per barrel for this oil more than it is paying and still make a large profit."

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## HEARST LOSES BALLOT CASE

Court of Appeals Hands Down an Opinion Against Him.

## COURTS HAVE NO POWER

Judges Hold That They Cannot Order Opening of Boxes by Mandamus—Decisions Covers Recount.

Albany, N. Y., 14.—The court of appeals, in a decision handed down yesterday afternoon in the New York ballot box case, sustains the contention of counsel for Mayor George B. McClellan and denies that of attorneys for William Randolph Hearst and his colleague on the Municipal Ownership League ticket.

The court holds, as was argued by former Chief Judge Parker and his associates, that the courts have no power under the election law to order by mandamus the opening of the ballot boxes and a recount and canvass of ballots.

The case relates directly to the vote for mayor, controller and president of the board of aldermen cast in the second election district of the 9th Assembly district of New York county at the election of Nov. 7 last, but is of utmost importance in Mr. Hearst's contest for the majority of New York city, and is fundamental in its effect upon the present election law.

The decision is rendered by a divided court, five to two, comprising Chief Judge Cullen and Judges Gray, O'Brien, Haight and Werner; Judges Bartlett and Vann dissenting.

**NEW YORK IS BEHIND IN FIRE EQUIPMENT**

Chief Croker Makes Admissions About the Report of the Underwriters.

New York, Dec. 14.—Mechanical inefficiency was declared to exist in nearly every detail of New York's fire protective system by Chief Croker yesterday, in a letter commenting on the report of the National Fire Underwriters, to the effect that New York was in danger of a conflagration.

After stating that the city needs more stringent rules in constructing buildings and in handling explosives, Mr. Croker writes:

"If New York were properly supplied with water and up-to-date hydrants and an up-to-date fire alarm system, and the new companies already recommended had new apparatus houses, the city would be as well protected as any in the United States."

"The condition of the engines is largely due to the inefficiency of the engineers. This department is greatly handicapped in its selection of engineers by the civil service laws, and often the department has to promote to the position of engineer men who have failed to pass the examinations of the board of engineers of this department, but who subsequently took an examination before the civil service board, passing the same."

**TOGO WILL COME.**

Told Minister Griseom Fleet Would Visit America.

New York, Dec. 14.—Lloyd Griseom, United States minister to Japan, arrived in this city Tuesday, coming by way of San Francisco, on short sea to Japan. Tuesday night he talked interestingly about Japan.

Since the war, Mr. Griseom said, the Japanese people have settled down to their regular occupations. The government is busy paying off its war debts and adjusting its finances. The whole aim of the Japanese is toward industrial expansion at present. All their efforts are turned in that direction.

As to the after-peace rioting, Mr. Griseom said that the dissatisfaction over the peace of Portsmouth was merely temporary and had become unimportant now. The feeling of discontent has entirely disappeared, and the Japanese people feel great gratitude toward the American people, and particularly to President Roosevelt for bringing about peace.

Mr. Griseom declared emphatically that after the excitement due to the first news from Portsmouth had subsided the people sided unanimously with the government and recognized the wisdom of making peace with Russia.

"I saw Admiral Togo frequently before my departure from Japan," the minister said. "He told me that he intended to visit the United States with his fleet next autumn, after first paying a visit to England and Japan. I told Admiral Togo that he would be cordially received, as the American people are always glad to welcome a brave man."

Mr. Griseom intends to go on to Washington in a day or two. His departure from this city has been delayed by a cold brought on by the change to the American climate. He has not decided just when he will return to Japan.

**INDICT RAILROAD.**

Federal Grand Jurors Return Bills Against C. & A.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 14.—The federal grand jury has returned indictments against the Chicago & Alton company, John M. Faithorn, former vice president of the company, and J. A. Wann, former general freight agent, for alleged granting of rebates to the packing firm of Schwartzchild & Sulzberger, and giving free transportation to employees of the same company.

**COPPER OVER PAID.**

Brokers Throw Up Their Hats as It Crosses the Line.

New York, Dec. 14.—Amalgamated Copper stock crossed par yesterday for the first time since 1901. When the stock reached par there was a wild yell on the stock exchange and brokers threw their hats in the air in their enthusiasm. The trading in copper was enormous for the forenoon.

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The Habit of Delay—Some of Its Consequences—Causes of This Bad Habit.

"Deferring till tomorrow to be wise, tomorrow's sun to thee may never rise."

Truly it has been said that procrastination is the thief of time. The habit of delay is one of the most vicious faults to which mankind is subject. In almost every instance delays are entirely unnecessary and are often due to carelessness, but more often to thoughtlessness. Strange as it may seem, this danger from delay is encountered more often as a result of carelessness or thoughtlessness about our health or the health of some one dependent upon us. How often pneumonia could be prevented if the victim had acted sooner.

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